The City of Frederick, Maryland PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION Minutes of October 9, 2012

(Approved January 8, 2013)

Members Present: J. Baldi, J. Grove, J. Myers, R. Fox, D. Rivera, M. Lawrence, K. Wagester, C.

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Staff Present: R. Myers, K. Winterstein, M. O'Connor, J. Hart, T. Davis, T. Rippeon

Absent: R. Knight

Meeting called to order by J. Baldi at 7:00 p.m.

1. Review of the August 14, 2012 minutes:

Motion by J. Myers to approve the minutes as submitted 2^{nd} by M. Lawrence All in favor.

- 2. Appreciation Certificates presented by Joleen Hart, Volunteer Coordinator and Roelkey Myers, Deputy Director to:
 - ❖ Diane Beall and Kevin Schweinfurth for services provided at the North Market and East 4th Streets garden bed;
 - ❖ YMCA of Frederick County for services provided at Jimmy McGee Park, represented by Chris Colville;
 - ❖ BB&T Bank Lighthouse Project for services provided at Hill Street Park, represented by Christina Lugo.
- 3. Review and discussion of a request by the Friends of Hospital Park to change the park name to Park Place. *TABLED to future meeting*.
- 4. Review and discussion of a request by Mr. James Schmersahl to establish a Friends of Carroll Creek Urban Park group. Mr. Schmersahl provided an overview of the groups proposed by-laws, status of their 501(c)(3) application as well as their current goals and objectives. R. Myers stated they have worked very hard to establish themselves and will be a great partner to the City further encouraging the Commission to recommend approval.

Motion by J. Grove to recommend the Friends of Carroll Creek Urban Park become a City recognized group;

 2^{nd} J. Myers *ALL in favor*.

4. Review, discussion and recommendation to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to accept a grant in the amount of \$200,000.00 for Baker/Waterford Park Connection Design of the Shared Use Path from the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT). Mr. Tim Davis of the City's Planning Department provided an overview of the proposed MDOT grant. This grant is to fund the design of the Shared Use

Path connection from Baker Park to Waterford Park connecting the west side area with downtown Frederick. The City will provide some in-kind services by staff and the Ad Hoc Bicycle Committee. Another part of this design project is an environmental component that will enable the project to be eligible for Federal funds as well. R. Myers stated this is an important link in the path that was attempted in the last administration but did not come to fruition due to a bid protest then the economy dropped off complicating the feasibility of the project at that time. Once this section is complete, the City can establish more links on our own to further connect all sections of the existing path.

Motion by R. Fox to recommend the acceptance of the Maryland Department of Transportation Grant for design of the City's Shared Use Path; 2^{nd} J. Myers ALL in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristi A. Winterstein Commission Secretary